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- 3. An English language Abstract of one or more non-English language reference is attached hereto. See References 1 & 2.
- 4. Reference 2 corresponds to U.S. Patent No. 6,249,618, which was previously cited in an Information Disclosure Statement filed on August 15, 2003. Therefore, a copy of U.S. Patent No. 6,249,618 is not attached.

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